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## HIGH SCHOOLS TO COMPETE HERE

**Preliminaries to State Championship at Union to be Held on Hill—Oneida, Herkimer, and Lewis County Schools to Send Teams Here**

**TO BE HELD MAY 19TH**

On May 19, there will be held on the Hill a track meet for the high school championship of the East Central District of New York State, comprising the counties of Herkimer, Oneida, and Lewis. Any high school of recognized standing in these three counties may send a team to compete in this meet. The individual winners of each event shall comprise the team to represent this section in the State-wide meet which is to be held later in the season at Union College. Similar meets are to be held at Farmingdale, Scarsdale, Poughkeepsie, R. P. I., Troy, Saratoga, St. Lawrence University, Colgate University, Syracuse University, Cornell University, University of Rochester, Batavia, Buffalo, and Alfred University.

The committee in charge of the East Central District shall appoint a Director of Games for this meet. In consultation with him, they shall select the officials for it. Mr. R. W. Thompson principal of Whitesboro High School, is the chairman of the committee in this distict.

The events and order of events shall be as follows:

10 a. m. Trials—

220 hurdles, medley relay, 12 pound shot put, running high jump, running broad jump.

1:30 p. m. Track Events—

220 yard hurdles (semi-finals), 100 yard run (semi-finals), 1 mile run, 100 yard run (finals), 440 yard run, 220 yard run (finals), one-half mile run, 220 yard hurdles (finals), relay.

1:30 p. m. Field Events—

Pole vault, 12 pound shot put, running high jump, running broad jump.

### CANDIDATES FOR MC KINNEY PRIZE STAGE ANNOUNCED

The trials for McKinney prize stage will be held in the chapel Tuesday and Wednesday, May 8th and 9th. The Freshman try-outs will be held at 10:30 on Tuesday, May 8, the Sophomore trials at 11:30 on the same day and the Junior competition at 11:30 on May 9. Attendance at these chapels is compulsory as they are considered regular underclassman chapels. Participation in the trials is not compulsory. Four men are chosen from each class to represent the class in the McKinney prize speaking contest as a result of these trials.

Those eligible for these try-outs are: Freshmen—Bohn, Brazeau, Chretien, Fulton, Loder, Michaels, Pucillo, Robson, Selch, and Shenier; Sophomores—Allen, Becker, Burke, J., Briggs, Clark, Connell, Harding, Lehmann, Sessions, Soper, Scott, P. G.; Juniors—Albertson, Baer, Bates, Goslee, W. Johnson, D. Jones, Ladd, Lewi, Meehan, Nesbitt, Olver, and Pottle.

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President Ferry spoke before the Brotherhood Union at the Troy Y. M. C. A. last Thursday. His topic was "Our Greatest Need." In the morning he addressed the student body of the Troy High School.

## NEW BUSINESS COURSE WELL RECEIVED

**Mr. George Sicard, '06, of Pratt Chuck Co., Delivers First Two Business Lectures in Course Instituted By Him**

Hamilton College upperclassmen interested in business administration heard the first two lectures of a newly inaugurated course on successive Monday evenings, April 16th and 23rd. Both lectures were given in the Hall of Philosophy by George H. Sicard, '06, who is vice-president of the Pratt Chuck Company at Frankfort.

In his first lecture, Mr. Sicard introduced some of the fundamental problems of finance, the forming of a business company, and the difference between a corporation and a partnership; different kinds of stock, and the drawing up of financial statements. In the latter, he showed carefully how liabilities and assets were set forth, and explained the terms quick advent, slow advent, and slow liabilities.

Mr. Sicard's second talk was exclusively on selling, and the psychology of the salesman. He commenced by discussing wholesale and retail commerce, and the four ways of shipping goods F. O. B.

He explained the cash discount system, stating that a discount of from one half to five per cent was now allowed for cash payment in business, and that large mail order houses now send a discount that can be taken off if prices are changed.

One of the most interesting features of Mr. Sicard's talk was upon the art of salesmanship.

"A salesman must put himself into the mood of his purchaser, and must be a keen student of human nature," he said, and proceeded to show how this worked out in a case of his own. He had gone to Philadelphia to make a sale, and, unintentionally, came upon a man who had lost his son. After spending an afternoon in social conversation, Mr. Sicard rose, apologizing for having come upon an errand of business. A week later he received a large order from this man.

In discussing the "middleman", Mr. Sicard said that "although the 'middleman' is one of the most abused men in business, he is really invaluable, because he buys in large quantities, thereby insuring cheap manufacture," and that "contrary to public belief, the 'middleman' really makes no tremendous profits."

Both lectures were about an hour in length, and were attended by fifty upperclassmen. These lectures wil be continued every Monday evening until June. The speakers will be Paul Williams, '08, George Ogden, '14, and Alec Osborn, '09. As these men are exceptionally well known in their professions, it is urged that all upperclassmen attend.

### HAMILTON DELEGATE AT NEWMAN CLUB CONVENTION

Cleveland B. Chase, '23, will represent the Hamilton College Newman Club at the annual convention of the Newman Clubs of the East, to be held at Cornell University on Friday and Saturday of this week. This is the first time that the Hamilton Newman Club has actively cooperated with the clubs of other colleges.

## MUSICAL CLUBS ELECT OFFICERS

**Leslie E. Moore, '24, to Lead Glee Club—Philip H. Dowdell, '24, to Conduct Instrumental Club**

Leslie E. Moore, '24, and Philip H. Dowdell, '24, were elected leaders of the Glee Club and of the Instrumental Club, respectively, at meetings of members of those organizations who had been present at a certain number of concerts. Moore was elected last Wednesday and Dowdell last Friday after chapel.

"Les" Moore, whose home is in New York Mills, has been very prominent in college activities. He has sung the tenor part in the quartet for the past two years, and has been in the college choir ever since freshman year. Also, he did considerable choral work before coming to college, when he studied voice under B. W. Breneman, who was formerly connected with the Utica Conservatory of Music. He has been on the glee club, as well as on the instrumental club, during practically his entire college career. In addition, "Les" is a member of the **Life** Board, secretary of the executive council of the Undergraduates' Activities Association and a member of the Honor Court. His election as leader of next year's Glee Club comes as a deserved honor, and one, which in the opinion of those who are acquainted with the ins and outs of the position, say he is particularly well qualified to undertake. He is a member of the Emerson Literary Society.

"Phil" Dowdell's home is in Jamaica, L. I. He has been a very active member of the Instrumental Club for the last three years, and has been the mainstay of many a novelty act put on by the combined clubs on concert tours. He and Dan Bates, '24, have constituted a team of novelty actors hard to beat. "Phil" also sings tenor on the Glee Club. He has had a great deal of valuable experience and training through playing the banjo in dance orchestras. Last summer he had an excellent position in this capacity with an orchestra that played at Lake George. Freshman year, in addition to being on the musical clubs, he was also chairman of the banquet committee. He is a member of Alpha Delta Phi.

The clubs for next year are said to be fortunate in having two such able leaders at their head. As yet no plans have been announced for next year's concerts

### HAMILTON TO FACE HARD OPPONENT IN LAFAYETTE

On Friday afternoon at 4 o'clock the Hamilton baseball team will play its first scheduled game of the season with Lafayette College. Lafayette is expected to send up a strong combination for this, its first appearance here, as it was defeated only by a score of 5-1 by Princeton recently, who, by its victory over Holy Cross, is supposed to have the best college ball team in the East. The probable line-up follows:

Berry, Grube, c.; Longaker, Yeisley, Seaman, Halsted, p.; Brennan, 1b.; VanHart, 2b.; Willever, 3b.; Gazella, ss.; Brunner, lf.; Ernst, cf.; Hughes, rf.; M. T. Jackson, manager.

## HAMILTON RELAY TEAM FIRST THOMPSON SECOND IN 2-MILE

**Buff and Blue Wins from a Large Field of Competitors—"Tommy" Easily Trims Morgan of Oxford in International Classic.**

**With Watson M. Thompson, '23, taking second place in the International Two Mile race at Philadelphia, and the Buff and Blue relay team placing first in their class, the Hamilton athletes closed one of the most successful weekends in the history of track here at college. The races that the Hamilton men participated in at the annual Penn classic were run off with the stiffest competition that the Buff and Blue has ever met. The two mile race was easily the star attraction of the carnival, and the wonderful race that Tommy ran is long to be remembered by followers of the cinder track.**

**No less credit is due to the relay team for the wonderful race that it put up. The class that Hamilton entered in this year consisted of many of the leading colleges in the East. Hamilton was the smallest college in the class. The time that was made by Capt. Alec Alison and his men was third best in the entire meet. Bates with 3:26:1-5, and Syracuse with 3:22:1-5, were the only ones to beat Hamilton's 3:29:2-5.**

Watson Thompson, Hamilton's noted distance runner, was entered in the International 2-mile Run held on Friday. Two years ago he gained eighth place in this event, and last year, second place, losing to Buker of Bates. This year Tommy went up against a much stronger field of rivals than ever before. The entry of Higgins of Columbia, intercollegiate cross-country champion, Morgan of Oxford, one of England's best runners, and Kuykendall, Missouri Conference champion made the event one of the most important of the whole carnival.

Morgan, the Englishman, set the pace for the first half of the race. On the last mile Higgins, followed by Thompson, Helme of Georgetown, and Booth of Johns Hopkins, took the lead. These three all tried to pass Higgins, but Tommy was the only one who could approach the Columbia man. When about 100 yards from the finish, Tommy made a last effort to pass, but Higgins broke into a wonderful sprint and quite easily outdistanced him in the time of 9:42:1-5. For some reason or other, this was much slower than in previous years. Booth was third, and Morgan fifth.

On Saturday, the one-mile relay team, consisting of A. Alison. V. Alison, A. Morris and Thompson, won first place in their class. The teams entered in the event were divided into six classes; in its class Hamilton was first, Colby, second, New York University, third, and the University of Maryland, fourth. Hamilton's time of 3 minutes, 29 2-5 seconds was better than that of the winners of any of the other classes, except Bates, who won in 3:26:1-5, and Syracuse, 3:22:1-5. Lincoln, Temple, and Carnegie Tech were the winners of their classes in 3:33, 3:32, and 3:38 respectively.

### A COMMUNICATION

To the Editor of **Hamilton Life**:

Visitors to Hamilton have been in the habit of remarking about the beauty of our campus. The College spends large sums of money each year to keep the campus in an attractive condition. Undergraduates are likely to be careless in throwing about waste paper. Around the dormitories particularly, it is an endless task to keep the ground clear of waste paper, cigarette stubs, and odds and ends.

Not at all conducive to the general attractiveness of the campus, especially in the region of the dormitories, is the large fleet of make-shift cars that has made its appearance again this spring. Undergraduates are perhaps not greatly affected by the unsightly appearances these "Gasoline Alleys" present. But the fact remains, that to visitors to the Hill these cars—and the dirt they make—stand out as an eye-sore on an otherwise attractive campus. It is a problem as to the proper place for the cars to be kept. It goes without saying that if the roads in front of the dormitories were public highways, the owners of the cars would be prohibited from parking them there permanently. City officials realize that if such parking were permitted on city streets, not only would the streets be needlessly crowded, but the effect produced would be detrimental to the general attractiveness of the whole community. And city councils legislate against Pierce-Arrows in this manner! Perhaps if the cars now on the Hill were all highly-polished Pierce-Arrows, the "Gasoline Alleys" would not be so objectionable. However, the owners of the cars on the Hill should bear in mind that although technically the roads on the campus are not public, actually they are public in so far as the rest of the College community is concerned, and that the parking space should not therefore be abused.

Sometimes it happens that when we try to amuse ourselves, we forget that our amusement may inconvenience others, and we are therefore likely to go on with our efforts at amusing ourselves entirely unmindful of the feelings of others. If the "Hamilton Automobile Club" does not realize that these cars are unsightly, some college rule ought to be put into effect to make them realize it.

DONALD JONES.

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### CAST FOR COMMENCEMENT PLAY CHOSEN

As a result of the Charlatan try-outs held in the Little Theater last Sunday evening, Professor Fancher announces the following cast for the Commencement play, "Dulcy":

Dulcinea, Baer '24; Gordon Smith, Moore, '24; William Parker, Langtry, '23; C. Roger Forbes, Perrine, '25; Mrs. Forbes, Snyder, '25; Angela Forbes, Allen, '25; Schuyler Van Dyck, Lanrowitz, '23; Tom Sterrett, Albertson, '24; Vincent Leach, Shenier, '26; Patterson, Soper, '25; Henry, Lent, '24.

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**Gratitude.**

The college really owes a great debt to Mr. George Sicard, '06, for his earnest efforts in getting a course in business principles started here on the Hill. This course supplies a long-felt want by giving the prospective business men some idea of what they are going to run up against, when they have to knuckle down to the serious business of living.

Sad to say, too many men leave college with their diplomas tucked under their arms and expect the world to receive them with outstretched hands, ready to do their slightest bidding. One of the hardest things that the college graduate must learn, is that his college education was only the mental gymnastics required of him to get his mind in trim for the serious business of later life. The college man must first find out that he knows very little of actual business conditions, and then he must proceed to build up a knowledge of the actual facts.

The course instituted by Mr. Sicard tries to give the basic fundamentals that every business man must know. It does not pretend to teach a man to step out of college into an executive position at once. It only helps to smooth over the rough path of the first few months of work.

Let us hope that this new institution may become a fixed feature of the college life here at Hamilton.

**Day-Light Saving.**

By the time this issue is out, the day-light saving plan will have gone into effect in many of the communities throughout the state. Among those who have not taken this step, we find Clinton and the college community. The nearest city, Utica, has adopted the daylight-saving measure. This will mean a lot of confusion to those who have business in Utica, or else take an occasional pleasure jaunt to the famous resort, because there will be an hour's difference in the time here on the Hill and in Utica.

Aside from convenience's sake, daylight saving here in college would have some distinct advantages. If an extra hour of sunlight is of advantage to the working man in the city, surely an extra hour could be well appropriated by a busy college community. It would mean an extra hour of practice for the different teams before the big contests. It would affect the economic situation by cutting down on the amount of electricity used. These are only a few of the advantages to be derived from day-light saving.

Let it be remembered that last fall much the same result was accomplished by moving classes back half an hour. Now the opportunity has come whereby the same result may be accomplished without any interruption in the regular schedule.

**Looking Ahead.**

At present, the Hamilton campus is considered one of the most beautiful that any college in the country possesses. It has long been famous for its beautiful elms and maples that the founders of the college so judiciously selected. Unfortunately, the ravages of time have left their marks on the trees, and have necessitated the removal of several of the old veterans.

As yet, no steps have been taken to replace those trees that have been removed. It would be well for those in charge of the grounds to replace with a young tree, all those spaces that have been left vacant. It will be only a few short years before all the old trees will have to be cut down. Now is the time to act, and take some measure of precaution, so that the beauty of the campus may be preserved for future generations.

## NEW BOOK HONORS MEMORY OF WILLARD FISKE

Lately there has been published in three volumes "The Memorials of Willard Fiske," collected by his literary executor, Horatio S. White. This edition is a summary of some of the life works of Willard Fiske, '51.

Mr. Fiske was born in 1831, and entered Hamilton in the fall of 1847. He took an active interest in college affairs, and was a member of the Psi Upsilon fraternity. However, he left college before graduation to study foreign languages abroad. He spent two years in the University of Upsala in Sweden, taking his Ph.D. degree there. From then on he was a national figure in this country, going first to Copenhagen as attache to the U. S. Legation for two years. He held a position in the Astor Library from 1852-59. Following this, he was the General Secretary of the American Geographical Society. Later he was recognized as a learned lecturer, editor, and traveler. He was Professor of Languages at Cornell for a short time. He retired in 1863 and died in 1904.

His miscellaneous writings were numerous, and reprints of the more important ones have been selected for later publication. His lectures were inspiring and interesting. He was also prominent as an editor of some of the more important leading dailies of the country.

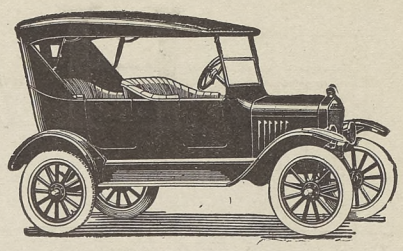
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Czar Alexander I and Napoleon met on a raft to sign the Treaty of Tilsit while Davy was revealing the effects of electricity on matter. "What is Europe?" said Alexander. "*We* are Europe."

The treaty was at that time an important political event, framed by two selfish monarchs for the sole purpose of furthering their personal interests. Contrast with it the unselfish efforts of Sir Humphrey Davy. His brilliant work has resulted in scores of practical applications of electrolysis in industry and a wealth of chemical knowledge that benefit not himself but the entire world.

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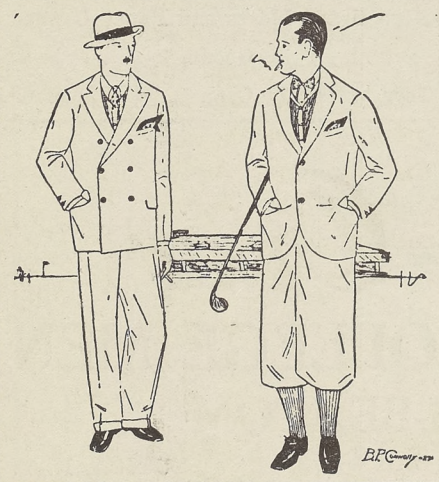
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## GEOLOGY 7-8 TAKES ALBANY TRIP

**Interesting Trip to Helderberg Mts.—Dr. Dale Plans Many Trips This Spring**

The class in Physiography, Geology 8, took its spring field trip last Wednesday, April 25, under the direction of Dr. Dale. The class of about 27 men left the Hill shortly after noon on Wednesday, and all its members were back on the Hill by Friday morning. Most of the class made the trip in automobiles, although a few took the train.

The objective was the Helderberg Mountains, which are the northern end of the Catskills or Allegheny Plateau, and which form an abrupt, deeply eroded escarpment about one thousand feet high, facing the Hudson River Valley about eighteen miles southwest of Albany. The work of the trip consisted in studying the erosional and weathering features of the cliff, but the class also worked on structures and paleontology, as shown in the Helderberg, Schoharie, Esopus, and Onondaga formations of the Devonian period. Near the escarpment is a very beautiful waterfall about one hundred feet in height with a 30 foot ice cone. About one hundred feet below the brink of the escarpment is a cavern, which is known as Haile's Cavern. One of the remarkable features of the cavern is the rectangular set-back plan caused by the divisional planes on the exterior. Also, from the cave flows a stream which probably has a length of a mile and a half under ground, and which is the probable outlet of Thompson's Lake, about a mile and a half due west of the cave, since there is no other visible outlet. Not only the scenic beauty of the spot, but also the perfect day, made the trip of exceptional value. All men were supplied with hectographed copies of what is known as the Countryman Hill section, taken from one of the New York State Geological Survey reports. The Helderberg Mountains are near Altamont.

The class in Geology 2 will take a trip to Little Falls on Tuesday, May 8, and one to Trenton Falls on Wednesday, May 23.

The class in Mineralogy, Geology 6, will make an automobile trip on May 17 and 18. The trip will cover the Adirondack mineral localities at Natural Bridge, Gouverneur, Antwerp, Rossi, Edwards, Pyrites, and Benson Mines. Every one of these places is well known for fine and varied mineral occurrences. Nearly all of them have at some time been mines.

## SPEECH OF SENATOR DAVENPORT ATTRACTS ATTENTION

Senator Davenport of the New York State Legislature, also a member of the college faculty, recently delivered a very effective speech of protest against one of the proposed new bills before the State Senate. The following is a recent editorial comment of The Utica Press upon it:

"The speech of Senator Davenport against a bill that would censor the histories used in New York's public schools deserves the thoughtful attention of everyone who respects facts. The bill could be severely criticised for the prejudices that it would foster, but apart from that, its greatest weakness is its apparent disposition to have histories record only such facts as support a given viewpoint. Senator Davenport exposed its contradictions, its inconsistencies, and its thoroughly ridiculous aspects so clearly that it is difficult to see how the bill can win favor among intelligent legislators."

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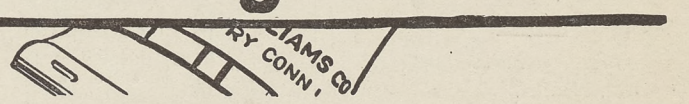
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# Carpe Diem

We hope that the members of the famous Geology trip to Albany do not include in their final report some of the specimens found in Albany the night before.

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The Old Grad says: B. S. behind a name may mean a lot of things beside Bachelor of Science.

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Pretty near time for the famous golf two-some to get going. Supe claims that Patton swiped and hocked his clubs to buy gas for his flivver.

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If all reports are true, the Ladies' Sewing Circle has nothing on the gathering around the festive board at the Faculty Club.

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A suggestion has been made that the Deke House be used for the storage of the pieces of tin marring our beautiful entrance to Carnegie.

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Judging from the trails of pre-historic Tribolites observed in the rock pile for the new buildings, the love of strong drink was not unknown to Mr. Trilobite on Saturday night. One poor cuss had his head badly dented, evidently the Mrs. objected very strongly to the reduced pay envelope.

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Hamilton can also boast of an "Old Soak" in the form of Mike Crane.

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Now the examination schedule is posted. As the old adage goes—life is just one darn thing after another.

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No wonder Burt Price was grouchy at being mentioned three times last week in this column. He had just made his income tax report.

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Johnnie Ogilvie must have had some close shaves in the sabre contests at New York. Three of the eleven and a half blonde wisps have been seriously maltreated at some time or other. Maybe he has discovered a strange desire for shredded wheat during his sleep.

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The Psi U's are now renting tombstone backs in the cemetery for the annual astronomical observations that are expected to take place next week-end.

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The Faculty Club might also raise a little money by renting parking space in Brandt's Glen.

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Dame Rumor hath it that the D. U.'s have placed an extra large order for sister pins in anticipation of a rushing business under the full moon.

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It is a strange coincidence that a "For Sale" sign appeared on the Theta Delt hut after Hawley started courting "Hilda."

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Bibs nearly lost his heart's delight the other day when the men were cleaning up the campus. One of the men thought that his "Frankie" was a part of the winter's debris cluttering up the entrance to the Library.

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Carpe humbly suggests that the next hill climbing contest be run off between Cal's "Alice", Bart's glorified "Lizzie", Gelas' "Stewed Baker," and Tub Hall's "Colgate Pierce-Arrow."

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It is to be noticed that Phil Dowdell has removed his luxuriant soup strainer for repairs before house-party. The men eating near the Alpha Delt trough at Commons claim that it has lost its former resonant tone. Others claim that his girl doesn't like that tooth brush feeling.

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## PAUL B. WILLIAMS, '08 GIVES LECTURE

Editor of the Utica Press Gives Third Business Lecture Before Upperclassmen

Paul B. Williams, '08, editor of the Utica Press, spoke before a large number of juniors and seniors last evening, on the "Business Organization of a Newspaper." This was the third of the series of talks on business topics which are being given in the political science room every Monday evening. Robert D. Fraser, of the Fraser department store, who was scheduled to speak last night, was forced through pressure of business to postpone his talk until next Monday evening, when he will discuss "The Modern Department Store."

Mr. Williams explained just how the big city daily is published and how the staff is organized and goes about its work. He said that contrary to the usual opinion, the present day newspaper reporter doesn't scurry around the streets looking for news, but that practically all of the news is anticipated beforehand and that all the reporter does is to go and get it. However, this is not so easily done as might appear. Much of the day's news comes over the A. P. wire, and through other news-gathering organizations. He stated that newspaper experience is some of the most valuable a young man can get, as well as the most interesting. Afterwards he answered several questions asked him.

## DR. SQUIRES TAKES OVER UTICA CHURCH

Dr. William H. Squires, professor of philosophy, last Sunday preached the sermon at the South Congregational Church in Utica. It is reported that he will preach there until summer vacation anyway, and until such time as a regular pastor can be found. His sermons have met with great enthusiasm and have been characterized as "strong, optimistic and helpful." It is expected that the Bible class, under his direction, will study one of the books of the Bible, with a view towards thorough study of that particular book.

—Ray G. Pratt, '08, has been elected supervising principal at Waterloo. He is a member of Chi Psi. Mr. Pratt will succeed Daniel H. H. Naylor, a member of the Emerson Literary Society, who died recently.

—John Gordon Durkee, ex-'21, has passed a recent competitive civil service examination for the position of civil engineer with the New York Transit Commission, and the State Highway Department.

—Rocco A. Lopardo, '21, will teach at the Utica Free Academy next year. He has been principal of the high school of Hinckley for the past two years. Mr. Lopardo is a member of Emerson Literary Society and Phi Beta Kappa. He was in service in the World War.

—Mr. and Mrs. Donald McDonald, 275 Riverside Drive, New York City, have issued invitations to the wedding of their daughter, Marion McDonald, to John Van Norden, '21. The wedding will take place Saturday, May 12, in the Cathedral of St. John the Divine. Van Norden is a member of Sigma Phi.

—Mr. and Mrs. Frank Burnham Ogilvie of Brooklyn have announced the engagement of their daughter, Miss Marguerite Maxwell Ogilvie, to J. Douglas Erskine, '12 of Brooklyn. Miss Ogilvie is a graduate of the class of '21 at the Packer Collegiate Institute. Mr. Erskine is a member of Theta Delta Chi, and is in the insurance business in New York. The wedding is to take place in the early fall.

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## BIOLOGY CLUB HOLDS LAST MEETING OF YEAR

**Club Has Been Great Success—Much Interest and Help Derived by Members**

The Biology Club held its last meeting of the year at the home of Dr. Morrill on Thursday evening, Apr. 26. This completes the series of about eight meetings which have been held every two weeks through the winter months. Dr. Morrill expressed his pleasure in the character of these informal get-togethers, and the way they have been attended by the members of the club. The meetings themselves have been carried on under the personal supervision of Dr. Morrill, and have treated subjects which are studied in the laboratories of the department. He believes that in the talking over of the subjects in an informal manner, the student is aided in his regular curriculum studies, because he feels a certain freedom from restraint. In preparing his particular paper for the meeting, of which four are generally read, the student has an incentive for research work of his own. Even in the choice of subjects on which to talk, there was absolute freedom, although Dr. Morrill offered suggestions as to them. This ends the third year of the Biology Club, and it is hoped that, helped by the new laboratories in the new science building and the earnest cooperation of all its members, it will keep on the ascendency.

## HON. ELIHU ROOT FAVORS WORLD COURT

**Makes Strong Plea Before American Society of International Law**

Supporting President Harding in his contention that the United States should participate in the Permanent Court of International Justice, Elihu Root, '64, in a speech delivered last Wednesday evening, told the American Society of International Law that the quesiton presented by the President's message to the Senate was really only a question of moral support.

"The amount of contribution toward the support of the court to be determined by our own Congress would be negligible," asserted Mr. Root. "We undertake to do nothing and to give nobody authority or power to do anything for us. The question is merely whether we shall give our moral approval to the establishment of the same kind of court which our government has been urged for a generation."

In addressing the society of which he is president, Mr. Root described at length the genesis and nature of the world court, his reasons for believing it superior to the old Hague tribunal, the clear distinction which had made it and the League of Nations the development of international law—despite the World War, and what he held to be the fallacy in reasons advanced why the United States should not support the court.

### Important Notice

A request has come to the editor of Life to organize a Hamilton party as a unit of the Educational Tour to Europe this summer. There is room for a party of ten men. Only the representative colleges of each state are being asked to join in this tour. All men interested please communicate with the editor at once.

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## COL. WARFIELD, '00 RECEIVES D. S. M.

**Coveted Honor Comes as Reward for His Bravery Under Fire—Also Given Right to Wear Silver Star on His V. M.**

As a result of conspicuous bravery under fire during the late war, Lieutenant Colonel A. B. Warfield, '00, Chief of the Surplus Property Division, has been awarded the distinguished service medal. The citation entitles Colonel Warfield to wear a silver star on his Victory Medal. The award has just been announced by the Secretary of War. The citation for gallantry reads as follows:

"Augustus B. Warfield, lieutenant colonel, Quartermaster Corps, then colonel, 322nd Field Artillery, 81st Division. For gallantry in action near Samogneux, France, October 23, 1918. Although twice badly gassed, Colonel Warfield refused to be evacuated and continued to command his regiment, thus adding greatly to its efficiency during the attack on Blois d'Etaye, and contributing materially to the success of the Division in this operation."

The Distinguished Service Medal citation states that Colonel Warfield displayed "untiring energy, unusual administrative ability and an unfailing dependability" and adds that "his outstanding ability as an organizer, his leadership, and his devotion to duty, were material factors in the successful operations of his Division."

Those who knew Colonel Warfield and his work as Chief of the Surplus Property Division and also head of the Salvage Division, know that these are no idle words. In these difficult positions he has displayed most remarkable ability. He has been completely responsible for the early organization of these departments and for the success achieved in the sales of millions of dollars worth of surplus and salvage goods.

## FENCING TEAM GIVES EXHIBITION IN UTICA

**College Quartet Also Aids Utica Y. M. C. A. in Giving Entertainment at the Annual Dinner**

The Hamilton fencing team gave some demonstration bouts following the annual dinner at the Utica Y. M. C. A., at which Walter Camp made an address. The Glee Club quartet also sang several selections.

Robert D. Fraser, '08, who presided, introduced the team in complimentary terms, mentioning their good record and Ogilvie's election as president of the Association. Ogilvie then explained the rudiments of fencing and introduced the members of the team: W. W. Johnson and himself, sabre; George Kittell and Scott, foil; Donald Kittell and Stevens, epee. The epee men bouted until three touches were made, the others, four minutes each without recording touches. Bates, Moore, Russell Thompson, and Harold Hastings, then sang several songs with great success.

Walter Camp, former Yale Football coach, and the originator of the "Daily Dozen," was given a warm greeting. He stressed the importance to the nation of a healthy population and advocated moderation in exercise as well as in eating.

### 1925 HAMILTONIAN DEVELOPMENTS

Alan D. Lehmann, the editor of the 1925 Hamiltonian, has made the following appointments: Alexander C. Soper, Art Editor; Philip Robinson, Hyler Connell, Lawrence Wood, Harold Harding, George Perrine, Russell Thompson, and Harvey Valentine, Associate Editors.

At a recent meeting of the Sophomore Class, Harry Yates was elected Photographic Editor. Competition for the Photographic Editor of next year's book will begin immediately.

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